NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 418

COUNT PROCEDURES

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AUTHORITY

NRS 209.131

RESPONSIBILITY

To establish a system of formal and informal counts and to provide institutions and facilities with a system to physically count inmates, including those assigned to work and program activities away from the count location.

418.01 COUNT PROCEDURES

- 1. Inmates will be counted at frequent intervals throughout the day.
- 2. Formal and Emergency counts will be conducted in a standardized manner. All institutions and facilities of the Department of Corrections will use NOTIS as the primary means of conducting formal counts.
- 3. Informal and random counts will be conducted by all persons who supervise inmates to ensure that they are present at their work or program areas.
 - A. Supervisors will record these counts only when an inmate is found to be missing.
 - B. Such counts will be noted in the unit log.
 - C. A mandatory health and welfare count will be conducted on a daily basis.
- 4. Out counts will be authorized only on the basis of institutional need for essential inmate services (i.e. hospital, boiler room, culinary workers or as a means of providing for inmate safety).

- 5. Assigned staff will be responsible for the accuracy of counts in their assigned areas.
- 6. All Correctional Officers will be trained in the conduct of counts in different types of locations (i.e. housing units, open areas, work areas).
- 7. All staff will make immediate reports of inmate movement, arrivals, or departures, to the person responsible for the maintenance of the count.
- 8. Count sheets should be retained at the institution/facility for a minimum period of three (3) calendar years.
- 9. Count discrepancies will be handled per the procedures in the Confidential Count Procedures Manual.

APPLICABILITY

- 1. This AR requires an Operational Procedure at each institution/facility.
- 2. This AR requires an audit.

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